Special Session

Agenda Item #	5
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Discussion Item	Authorization of Proposed Purchase of Mobile Computing Client Software for Police Public Safety Communications System (PSCS, formerly PS 2000)	
Background	The Takoma Park Police Department has been participating in the Montgomery County PSCS system to provide interoperability and enhanced communications with other public safety providers in Montgomery County and the COG region.	
	• The Police Department has already purchased equipment for use in the voice radio aspect of the overall project. Mobile Data Computer hardware has already been procured, some of which is being operated off of another system.	
	• In order to provide connectivity to the full array of services provided through the Montgomery County PSCS, specific customized user software must be procured.	
	• The software will be purchased from a sole source provider, Northrop-Grumman Commercial Systems, Inc. which has acquired TRW, Inc. The County's system integration contractor.	
	• A waiver of the City Nuclear Free Act provisions was granted by Council for this project on May 6, 2002.	
Policy	Ordinance required for authorization to purchase based on total amount of expenditure	
Fiscal Impact	Funding had been identified in previous years and set aside in the Equipment Replacement Reserve for this project. The cost for 19 mobile units (with 19 operating licenses) will be \$41,800.	
Attachments	Ordinance	
Recommendation	Adoption of the ordinance authorizing the expenditure	
Special Consideration		